## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

JOANNA CASTRO, <i>PLAINTIFF</i>	§ §	
V.	§ §	CIVIL NO. 5:18-CV-00312-DAE
ALBERT SALINAS, DEFENDANT	\$ \$ \$	

## ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION REPORT

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

Defendant SALINAS ("Salinas") files this Alternative Dispute Resolution Report pursuant to this Court's Scheduling Order, dated August 2, 2018. [Docket No. 10].

- 1. Counsel for Defendant informed the client of the alternative dispute resolution procedures available in the Western District of Texas.
- 2. Plaintiff submitted a written settlement offer to Defendant on August 30, 2018. Defendant's attorneys, Patrick Bernal and Adolfo Ruiz, on behalf of Defendant responded to Plaintiff's demand on August 31, 2018.
- 3. The individuals responsible for settlement negotiations on behalf of Defendant are Patrick Bernal and Adolfo Ruiz.
- 4. Defendant recognizes ADR methods approved by this Court, but at this time, believes alternative dispute resolution is premature based on the Court's ruling on Defendant's 12(b)(6) Motion to Dismiss Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint [Dkt. 5] as well as incomplete discovery. Mediation may be appropriate at a later stage in these proceedings, after appropriate discovery and further case development.

Signed this 20th day of September, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

This is to certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing instrument has been served in accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure on this day of September, 2018, to the following:

PATRICK C. BERNAL

ADOLFO RUIZ

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